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REPUBLICANS HOLD COUNTY CONVENTION

Gathering at the Armory Last Saturday Afternoon Largely Dominated by Women Delegates Present.

MRS. J. G. MOIR WAS CHAIRMAN

Meeting was Perfectly Orderly and Altogether Harmonious and was Decidedly Charming Occasion.

The republican county convention held last Saturday afternoon at the armory was remarkable for the fact that for the first time in the history of the party in Luna county women delegates took part in the proceedings, and a woman, Mrs. J. G. Moir, was temporary and permanent chairman. That A. A. Tenke was secretary was merely incidental. It was one of the most orderly and harmonious political conventions the Graphic representative has ever had the pleasure of attending and was altogether a most "charming occasion."

The principal business of the convention was the election of delegates to the state republican convention to be held at Albuquerque Sept. 7. The following were named:

Arthur Bloch, Henry Burton, A. Frederickson, J. R. Blair, Zeno Johnson, Clyde Earl Ely, Mrs. Clyde Earl Ely, Mrs. Fred Sherman, Mrs. J. C. Watson, A. W. Pollard, C. J. Kelly, Mrs. J. G. Moir, R. A. Walker, Miguel Ochoa, A. A. Tenke, Dr. R. C. Hoffman, Mrs. W. S. Clark, W. W. Baracks.

The executive committee announced the filling of the following vacancies by the following candidates on the county ticket: Capt. Arthur Bloch for treasurer, Judge B. E. McKoy for probate judge and C. B. Morgan for representative in the state legislature.

Following were the out-of-town delegates: Frank Kimball and C. R. Rambo of Houdale; J. R. Blair, A. Frederickson, Henry Burton, W. I. Hobbs, Arthur Bloch, C. W. McKinley, Zeno Johnson, Mrs. Bloch, Mrs. Pickart and Miss Burton of Columbus; R. A. Walker of Coals Piek.

The following resolutions were adopted by the convention:

We, the republicans of Luna county in convention assembled, renew our pledges of allegiance to the Constitution of the United States and again avow our unwavering adherence to the progressive principles of the Republican party.

We meet at a time when all the venom of entrenched democratic office holders is being directed at the party and the standard bearer we have chosen to contest with them for the prizes of office. Our opponents have not been deterred from making the most preposterous charges of corruption and greed. Firm in the knowledge of our own unselfish motives and those of our leaders we fling back to our detractors an answer in our firm resolve to route them from control of the nation, the state and the county. In a crisis such as present one the party of Lincoln, McKinley and Roosevelt, will again furnish the leadership and the principles to place the country once more firmly in a safe relation of honor and friendship with with other free nations and bring once more an era of domestic tranquillity, prosperity and progress.

We express our willingness to co-operate with all good citizens of this country to help in bringing to a conclusion usurpation of President Wilson, placing the representative authority once more in the hands of the people and their duly elected representatives; and to that end we endorse Warren G. Harding for president of the United States and Calvin Coolidge for vice-president of the United States; at the same time commending the same yet progressive platform adopted by the convention that nominated them.

We are proud of the record made by congress in resisting the encroachment of a chief executive blind to the wishes of the people and drunken with the wine of wrong from his own unworthy ambitions. We particularly condemn the attempt of the president to force the adoption of the treaty of Versailles with the iniquitous league of nations covenant attached, endangering as it does, the independence of our beloved country. We believe that peace will be accomplished with honor and without "outstanding alliances" that would call upon our youths to fight in foreign lands. In the interests of others than our own citizens, just as soon as a republican president can approve a peace resolution passed by a republican congress. This accomplished, the nation will return to its normal industrial activities under wise financial legislation.

We feel that tax laws and other fiscal legislation in the state and the nation needs revision to the end that the burden of government be more equally distributed among the citizens who enjoy its protection and advantages. We believe that the non-partisan revenue commission of New Mexico, that has been laboring in the investigation of these matters, can be trusted to make suitable recommendations to remove much of the heavy burden that now rests on the tax payers of the state and more particularly on the shoulders of the small home owners. We favor the strictest economy in the administration of state revenues without the hampering of educational and other necessary activities that are calculated to advance the interests and well being of the citizens. That a budget system, properly handled, is needed is evident and we believe that the next republican legislature can be depended

NEW MEXICO DEMOCRATS PUT UP STATE TICKET

LAS VEGAS, N. M., Aug. 29.

The ticket which the Democratic party placed in the field at its convention here, which ended at 2 o'clock this morning is:

Judge R. H. Hanna, of Berna-

lillo, for governor.

Antonio Lucero, of San Mi-

guel for congress.

H. L. Patton, of Curry, for su-

preme court.

J. D. Atwood, of Chaves, for

lieutenant governor.

F. C. De Baca, San Miguel,

secretary of state.

Harry Slack, McKinley, treas-

urer.

H. Kerr, Luna, land commis-

sioner.

Carlos Matamoros, Rio Arri-

ba, auditor.

H. S. Tipton, Otero, superin-

tendent of schools.

R. C. Dow, Eddy, attorney

general.

G. L. Perrin, Guadalupe, cor-

poration commissioner.

Presidential electors, Seferino

Martinez, Colfax; J. R. Priddy,

Roosevelt; R. L. Young, Dona

Ana.

DEMING DEFEATED ON SANTA RITA GROUNDS

Santa Rita-Hurley defeated Deming Sunday afternoon on the Santa Rita grounds in one of the fastest games seen in this part of the country this season, the time of the game being one hour and twenty-five minutes.

Both Rossi and Gurley were working in fine shape and gave the players something to think about each time they went to bat, no one seemed to be able to connect with the ball in the pinches with the one exception of Randall in the ninth inning, the score tied 3 to 3 and two men on base he cracked the ball on the nose for a two-base hit to center bringing in the winning run. Middleton played a good game in right field, and made the most spectacular catch of the afternoon, with a man on third base and one on second base and two out in the third inning, Randall drove a liner straight down the foul line, that would have been good for four bases, and after a very hard run Middleton milled the ball and just as he caught it stepped in a ditch and did on the ground quite a way but held the ball above his head all the time.

The score:

	AB	R	H	A	P	O	E
Deming	4	0	0	0	5	0	0
Hamilton, 1B	4	0	0	2	2	2	2
Duffy, ss	4	1	1	1	1	2	2
Hughes, 3B	4	1	1	1	2	0	0
Ross, p	4	1	0	2	0	0	0
Boucher, c	2	1	0	0	5	0	0
Connelly, 2B	4	1	2	2	2	0	0
Middleton, rf	4	0	1	0	3	0	0
Clark, cf	2	0	0	0	5	1	0
Sage, lf	3	0	0	0	3	0	0

*None out when winning run made.

	AB	R	H	A	P	O	E
Santa Rita-Hurley	5	1	0	4	1	0	0
Forsythe, 2B	4	2	2	4	0	1	0
Smith, ss	5	0	2	2	0	0	0
Baerwald, 3B	5	0	2	0	3	0	0
Randall, cf	4	0	0	0	14	0	0
Moore, 1B	3	1	1	0	3	0	0
Dempsey, rf	4	0	2	0	6	0	0
Wilson, c	4	0	2	0	0	0	0
Ross, lf	4	0	2	0	0	0	0
Gurley, p	4	0	2	2	0	0	0

By innings:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
Deming	0	2	0	0	4	0	0	0	3	5	5	0
S. R. H.	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	4	3	1

Three base hit—Dempsey; two base hit—Baerwald, Randall 2; sacrifice hit—Boucher, Clark, Smith; base on balls off Ross, Dempsey; off Gurley, Boucher; struck out by Ross 5, by Gurley 3; umpires, Sage and Ward; time of game one hour and 25 minutes.

MR. and MRS. L. O. TUCKER ENTERTAIN FRIENDS

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Tucker extended their hospitality to friends on Friday in the form of a chicken dinner. The dining room was lovely with its hand-some appointments, and the table was supplied with delicious edibles. Spring chicken was browned to a turn and there were cream gravy, a variety of vegetables, pickles, olives, salad, coffee, feed onions and home-made apples. Those present were:

Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Boucher, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Nordhaus, E. L. Nordhaus of San Antonio, Mrs. A. C. Elliott, Miss Lucile Ward, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Tucker, George Elliott and Roxana Tucker.

E. A. Heffer, former Deming resident now at Ranger, Texas, is a visitor in Deming.

To Utilize Woodpeckers

Deming, N. M., Aug. 25, 1920. Editor Deming Graphic, Deming, N. M. Dear Sir:

I have spent several years of my life, of those joining the present, in your progressive little town, and have been reading the entire period a consistent reader of your delightful paper. My stay, however, during this time has been in the nature of a sojourn, as I have never been able to effect a connection with an enterprise of sufficient magnitude to cause me to feel justified in casting loose from other interests and yielding myself to the alluring call of the Elysian climate, cheery sunshine, awesome prospects of illimitable distances and soothing solemn solitudes which are inseparable attributes of your remarkable country. I am peculiarly susceptible to the many charms of the country and not a whit less to the genius of the community, composed as it is, of people of such high cultural development, pervaded by such a beautiful spirit of generosity, unity and progressiveness. In the presence of this strong attachment for your community, my inability to secure to myself a condition of permanency has been a source of extreme regret to me. It is this keen desire to make myself permanently one of your community that has prompted me to make public the project that I am about to discuss to you. Being sensible of the Graphic's ever present desire and consistent efforts to serve the best interests of the community, I have instinctively chosen it through which to make my appeal to the public. The project seems a sound business proposition and likely to serve to the upbuilding of the community, and I assure you that should you be disposed to present it to the public through the columns of your paper, your action will always be remembered by me with a heart full of gratitude; and in view of the extreme dry season that is past and the now threatened lengthening of it through a calamitous drought, I believe that should the enterprise suc-

GET US RIGHT, PLEASE

"The border town can't even enjoy the privilege of a port of entry, which was the original excuse for its existence."

We don't often find Editor Kilgore of the Columbus Courier misquoting intentionally, but the above was the exact words which the Graphic used and which cannot, without being twisted, be construed as derogatory to Columbus. The editor of the Graphic took himself to be at least an honorary citizen of Columbus as he was actually one in the days that followed the Villa raid; it was with the assumption of long standing friendship that the Graphic pointed out that the present administration has deprived Columbus of everything that could be removed to Texas and Arizona, and that the Mexican policy of the president has cut off that protection of American citizens and their interests in Mexico and in Luna county which would have allowed of the legitimate expansion of trade with Chihuahua. The Graphic has only said what the Courier has been saying all along and still asking for a continuation of a political control that is robbing Luna county of its just privileges.

The discrepancy in the Courier's quotation will appear with a reading of that publication's comment:

"Nevertheless that the only reason for the existence of Columbus is that the town is on the border," conservative business men here KNOW otherwise, and are loudly regarding several "aces in the hole." Among the sure things in sight are: Port of Entry, railroad, mines, cotton, army. The Graphic is either devoid of imagination, or it is depicting a green-eyed pimple on its perspective."

19th U. S. INF. HERE

A battalion of the 19th U. S. Infantry from Douglas en route to Fort Bliss is today encamped at Camp Cody enjoying a brief rest. The men are taking advantage of the community swimming pool.

VAULT CORRECT AGAIN

District Attorney Vaughn says the time of the six-shooter is past. He is correct. Machine guns are necessary hereabouts. Columbus Courier.

UNDER FALSE PRETENSES

The Deming Headlight still poses as the official paper of Luna county. In so doing it should secure patronage under this heading or claim it will be securing it under false pretenses. The Columbus Weekly Courier is at present the OFFICIAL PAPER of Luna county and was so designated at a recent meeting of the county commissioners. Columbus Courier.

MISSIONARY MEETING

The Methodist Missionary Society will meet for the social meeting next Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. W. Parrow, on the grade south of town, we hope the members will all be present, and do not forget to bring needles, thimbles and thread, quilt blocks will be cut, ready to sew. Visitors are always welcome.

Attorney Mitchell of Lordsburg was in the city last Friday enroute from the democratic state convention at Las Vegas to his home.

U. S. ARMY DISCIPLINE SAGGING

El Paso is finding out that it is about as safe to live neighbors with a guardless penitentiary as with the United States Army. Law abiding citizens aren't safe sitting on families and away from the main streets is, to judge from the local papers, about as safe as "going over the top" in trench warfare. Things in U. S. Army uniforms are most common. It is a shock to most citizens who look upon the army with pride and confidence as a part of the machinery of protective government. "What is the cause?" they are asking, and "can't something be done about it?" Where is the discipline in the army going? Where are the officers who command these wandering gun men?

If the average citizen and particularly some of the veterans of the world war were accused of contributing to delinquency of these young soldiers, they would probably protest with vehemence. Yet the discipline of an army and its efficiency is but a projection of the moral fitness of the citizens from which the army is drawn. American morals and morale are far from ideal at the present time.

There has been a reaction against law and restraint in every walk of life. When molasses over the country were introduced to army discipline; they didn't like it, but the war was on and they had to take things as they were. Much of the American army, even many units with the best of fighting records, were not properly organized, trained, disciplined, officered and supplied. Under the influence of pacifists the country was unprepared for the task before it. Only a great moral effort of a united people at home and in the field carried the nation to victory—that and a lot of luck.

Then came the reaction. Many mistakes had been made. A general attempt was made to fix responsibility, to find the "goat." The court martial system was attacked and this apparent severity and uncertainty of punishment pointed out; officers were called inefficient, selfish, cruel, according to the part they had been called upon to play. Much that was charged was true, but it was finally decided that the shoe of the task and the unpreparedness of the country for it had caused most of the trouble and there was a general inclination that the mistakes be charged off and the books closed. Even "Hard Boiled" Smith and his kind were found to be "goats" for the higher ups who could not be successfully attacked for initiating the repressive measures to meet the appalling condition created by an army of "hard boiled" deserters who would do most anything in the way of violence except fight the enemy.

The anomaly is this: the general who said, "be hard-boiled," is commended for his firmness in handling a threatening situation, but the underlings who administered the "hard-boiled" medicine, not always with judgment, are held an anathema forever. An hysterical attempt was made to amend the articles of war to suit the humanitarian ideas in vogue. Fortunately there were enough cool heads in congress to prevent the emasculating of the code and consequently weakening of the hands of those charged with maintaining discipline of the army. But the agitation gave the immature, and often disorderly recruits the idea that they were being mistreated by their officers and that they could "get away" with almost anything. There were weaknesses in the code that needed elimination, but on the whole the attempt to introduce the tricky and burdensome civil code into military summary justice is still possible in the army, especially when it most needed in times of public peril. By what poor instruments this "life and death" code is administered is another matter. An officer who has not learned the code by intimate contact with the army over a long period of years, who hasn't demonstrated that he understands men, is unfit to be the repository of such unmitigated authority. An officer must be subject to all the restrictions which discipline imposes through him on his subordinates.

There are at least two classes that deserve discipline to be maintained. One class is composed of the decent enlisted men who often are called upon to sleep with, eat with, work with and play with unregenerate young secondaries with whom in civil life they would have only a vague acquaintance. Only a discipline that "lites" will protect the morals, the private property and peace of mind of these young men who are in the army because of patriotic sentiments, a wholesome desire for adventure, a wish to subvert themselves to command that they may in turn be commanders. This class does not complain of discipline and they are seldom the victims of its iron hand. There are few officers, however, "mutton-headed," who can't appreciate the one great proof of their authority created by the clean, intelligent and willing men of any American army command. It is to these men that the army owes its discipline for it is they who maintain it. When they step aside the best officers are powerless with all their autocratic authority to subdue the hoodlums that will fill any rank open to all who would join. The second class is composed of the citizens who must live neighbors to an army post. Without doubt El Paso citizens would like to believe that the officers at the post have their men well in hand and that the strictest sort of discipline possible is maintained. But the can't and they, not the army are to blame for it. They are almost as afraid of provost guards as of the known hignmen.

Much as we may dislike the suggestion, fear is the basis of all morality.

LUNACOUNTYCOTTON GROWERS ORGANIZE

Had First Meeting Last Saturday Afternoon at the Court House and Talked Over Their Interests.

CROP OUTLOOK REPORTED GOOD

First Crop of Staple Ever Grown Here Will Prove Its Adaptability, the Local Growers all are Agreed.

The Luna county cotton growers met for the first time at the court house last Saturday afternoon and discussed matters of common interest. The meeting was called under the auspices of the McIntire Valley Farmers' Association with the prospect of forming an independent organization devoted to furthering the interests of cotton growers exclusively. Preliminary steps were taken to form such an organization, a committee consisting of C. H. Hon, G. D. Hatfield, A. C. Heyman and S. J. Smith being appointed to furnish a plan of organization. This committee will probably visit the Salt River valley to investigate the cotton organizations there and will call a meeting when they have arrived at some conclusions.

Reports given by the cotton growers themselves promise a bumper crop and a large acreage in the valuable staple next season. The matter of prices, picking, etc., was discussed but no action has been taken to cooperate.

FLORIDA WELL DRILLING

Progress is being made in the drilling of the Florida well, though the casing and tools lost two weeks ago caused the work to slow up. It is expected, says Manager Clark, that the difficulties will be over by the end of this week and that normal progress can be expected from then on.

COUNTY FAIR

The Luna county fair is going to be a lot better this year than last and it is admitted that last year's fair was a decided success. The fair committees have been named and are at work. Results can be expected with the farmers and business men cooperating.

INTENDS TO PUT IN POWER PLANT TO RUN FLOUR MILL

The Deming Roller Mills, Manager Clark announces, will soon install its own electric plant. A 50 h. p. engine will furnish the power. Mr. Clark states that the company installing the plant guarantees it to furnish current at the switchboard at less than a cent a k. w.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PLANS ANNUAL MEETING NEXT MONTH